## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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**Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery News Release #7** 

**SUBSISTENCE FISHERIES:** Subsistence fishing periods in the Port Graham Subdistrict will continue on the current weekly schedule of 10:00 PM Thursday until 10:00 AM Wednesday until further notice.

Salmon passage at the English Bay weir has been sporadic and minimal since the weir was installed on May 27. These numbers are shown below. Escapement numbers from last year (2012) are also shown as well as minimum and maximum daily target numbers to achieve the final Sustainable Escapement Goal (SEG) range of 6,000 - 13,500 sockeye salmon at the end of the return in late July.

Table 1.- English Bay River weir escapement showing 2013 daily count, previous year and anticipated SEG counts.

	Historic run progression (cumulative percent)		-		-	Daily anticipated SEG			
Date		2013 Actual count  Daily Cumulative		2012 Actual count  Daily Cumulative		Projected minimum  Daily Cumulative		Projected maximum  Daily Cumulative	
				Daily	Cumulative				Culliulative
5/27	0.01%	7	7			0	0	0	1
5/28	0.01%	7	14			0	0	0	1
5/29	0.02%	24	38			1	1	2	3
5/30	0.03%	9	47			1	2	1	4
5/31	0.05%	0	47			1	3	3	7
6/1	0.09%	0	47			3	6	6	13
6/2	0.20%	0	47			6	11	13	25
6/3	0.31%	0	47	0	0	7	18	15	40
6/4	0.74%	0	47	0	0	27	45	60	100
6/5	1.08%	0	47	10	10	22	67	50	150
6/6	1.81%	0	47	30	40	48	115	108	258
6/7	2.43%	0	47	1	41	39	154	88	346
6/8	3.18%	0	47	35	76	50	204	114	460
6/9	3.75%	0	47	0	76	35	239	78	538
6/10	4.80%	9	56	4	80	64	303	144	682
6/11	6.12%	76	132	30	110	78	381	175	857
6/12	7.45%	213	345	10	120	77	458	174	1,031
6/13	9.41%	296	641	5	125	116	574	261	1,292

Through June 13 a total of 641 sockeye salmon had been counted at the weir. This is above the minimum SEG of 574 fish and below the maximum SEG of 1,292 fish for this date as based on the final SEG of 6,000 - 13,500 divided out over the entire sockeye salmon return. Typically on June 13 nearly 10 percent (9.41%) of the escapement for a normal year has been counted at the weir.

Subsistence permits are available in Nanwalek at the Nanwalek IRA, (281-2274), in Port Graham at the Port Graham Village Council, (284-2227), in Anchorage at the ADF&G office on Raspberry Road (907/267-2218), or at the Homer ADF&G office (235-8191). Last year 7 households in Port Graham reported harvesting 1,007 salmon, and in Nanwalek last year only one household reported having harvested subsistence salmon with 905 taken.

## The next scheduled salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, June 21.

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.